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Application No. 09/854,807

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In Reply to USPTO Correspondence of March 18, 2003

Attorney Docket No. 1217-010754

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/854,807
Applicant : Fujio Tanaka et al.
Filed : May 14, 2001
Title : METHOD OF REGENERATING ION
EXCHANGE RESIN
Group Art Unit : 1724
Examiner : Ivars C. Cintins

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on March 18, 2003, and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on June 18, 2003. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on July 18, 2003.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 17, 2003.

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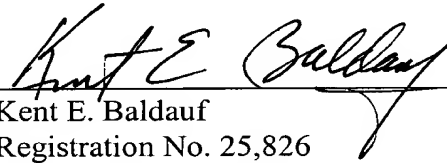
A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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